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2[illegible]th January To the President & Members of the Board of Revenue. Forwarding first Report of the Settlement of the Madura District for Fusly 1211. . . . . 1.

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William Petrie Esqr.

President &ca. Members of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

In the accompanying Sheets I beg leave to forward to your Board my first Report of the Districts of Madura. —

2 This communication has touched on the Land Revenue only — the late orders of your Board respecting the Syr having caused a material alteration in that branch of Revenue I have left it out entirely meaning to reserve the whole for a distinct Report. —

3 I shall leave this place in a few days to proceed to the westward where I fear ag

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falling off in the Revenue from the unhealthiness and backwardness of the season.

4 During my absence from hence I shall leave my assistant in charge and convinced his abilities are equal to it - and satisfied from his previous exertions - that his attention will be unremitted.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Madura
8th January 1802

Your very obedient humble Servant

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis

Collector -

In treating of the Jumma for the Land revenue of the province of Madura for the current fusly 1211,— I beg the attention of your Board to the Talookwar detail of the Land Revenue of Madura as entered in the appendix.—

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2 - - - - - - - - according to the usage of the former Cacharee, I have preserved the heads of account distinct, and under each given the abstract Value of the Lands severally appropriated — The whole is exclusive of Enaums, — save what is under the head "Hufta Devaustaunum" and what is under the head "Jevedum" both of which in course will be treated of separately —

3 - - - - - - - In making the Settlement, the

Man

Mamoole rate of assessment has been in every respect attended to – as well as the Custom heretofore obtaining in fixing it –

4 ––––––– This Custom in the Nunjee Villages was distinguished by two heads the first "Aurealpeshanum" or lands watered by Nallahs from rivers, the second "Maneiwarputor" lands watered from tanks filled by the rains. –

5 ––––––– Several Villages having both discription of lands, have been rented for money but in those, in which the ancient Custom has obtained – the mode of settlement must be explained and first, the aurealpeshaunum. –

6. ––––– The crop on the lands of this description is subject to deductions of the Shodundrum previous to division – the amount formerly of

of the Shodundrum claim was nearly 20 p^r Cent or 1/5th of the whole — but on examination it appearing that many innovations had become chargeable on the crop to the prejudice of revenue I directed the fixed rate (after making the allowances for the receivers of the allowed Russooms according to the custom of the village) to be 11½ p^r Cent which included every proper charge that custom with the knowledge of the Sirkar could authorize — this point settled, the remainder of the crop is equally divided between the Sirkar and Ryot. —

7 - - - - - - In those villages the lands of which are aurcalpeshanum settled for a money rent, the calculate has been made as above and the present Jummabundy rate of price p^r Collum

of Grain pr. Chai has been fixed as the rent pr. Chai payable to the Sirkar.

8 - - - - - - - - When the Sirkar thus makes its Settlement with the ryots, the crop is always thus divided or thus rented. But if, (as in some places it happens) from the choice of the ryots any intervening persons between the ryots and Sirkar conclude the bargain that person receives from the ryots a price for his responsibility called Swamybogum amounting to from 7 to 10 pr. Cent, this as belonging solely to the ryot - arises solely from his share. —

9 - - - - - - - - Hence it will appear that on division of the crop with the ryot, including the amount Shodundrum with the ryots shares, the ryot will possess 9 anas, and the

Sirkar

Sirkar 7 anas, or/ to note the matter more distinctly /o
4 the Ryots Share is 56¼ per Cent, the Sirkar 43¾ - a
Rent two high for the Ryot either to amass Money
- or extend his cultivation - from the employment
of his profits -

10 - - - - - - - The Second Mode - or that observed
in Renting or dividing the produce of the
Manawareput lands. -

11 - - - - - - - The lands of Villages thus
Circumstanced are apparently more valuable
to the Sirkar than those settled in the before
mentioned Manner - the division is equal
between the Sirkar and Ryot - and Custom
has established no Shodundrum - these lands
are also more profitable to the Ryot - as less
labour in every respect is said to be Required

and

and from one crop only occruing - less is expended on manure than in the other short of Nunjee Lands -

12 - - - - - - - Under this description of lands, such as have been settled for a money rent - have been done on the caculate of the dowl price pr. Collum and pr. Chai - and the amount so arising, has been fixed as the rent payable to the Sirkar -

13 - - - - - - - Under the head of Poonjee - two distinctions of lands also arise - 1st. those under Peerva and 2nd. those under Cuttagoota or Villages at a fixed rent, without reference to their Contents -

14 The lands under the 1st. description have been settled according to the mamoole Peerva of the Village and on the Sagwally accounts, according to the Curnums: the price of Grain has

been

been variable, and so much in the power of the renter and monopolist — that it is hard to say what the Value of the ryots share on the Boonjee may have been —

15. — — — — Those Villages or lands under the 2nd distinction or Cuttagoote — appear to be such as the name would attach to Mokurrereys = or in other words, permanency — with all its benefits. the name only remains, — and I am sorry to say is an infamous cover to transactions that mark the double oppression of the Mussulman Government —

16. — — — — This Cuttagoote was fixed on an extent of land — on a modus infinitely beneath its value, not so much with a view to benefit the holders as to favor the managers —

The

17 - - - - - - - - the Cusba Maudacallam (two Gurries from Madura) contains according to the Curnums accounts 16½ Taurs of Poonjee Land - about 99⁷⁄₁₆ Dindigul Goonta or Madras Cawnies 43⁷⁄₁₆ the Cuttagoote of this land was fixed wittingly at three chucrums - 2 fanams for the whole. —

18 - - - - - - - - the Saguvally of this year on this land was 12 Taur ¾ the rent I fixed on each Taur under Cultivation is three Chucrums, which makes 38. Cchs. 8 anas. —

19 - - - - - - the Nunjee of the Village was in Warum, the plunder in which, and the Teerva of the Poonjee of which, enable the manager to take as the mamoole nuzzer Cchs. 332.. 1. — this appears to have been concerted amongst the whole - as a means in depreciating the Village to

the

the Sirkar, to assist themselves —

20. — — — — — The Poonjee of Aveenapooram is by the Curnums accounts, twenty six Taur — the Cuttagoote was six Chucrums — twenty two Taur, and ten anas are under Cultivation — the Teerva now fixed by the consent of the ryots is 113. 1. 4. this Village also bore its proportion of the Mamoole Nuzzer according to the accounts of the late Cacharee —

21. — — — — — I have adduced these two Villages as examples of the mode of underrating — and at the same time of Shewing the little observance that has been paid to the tenure by which lands are said to have been held, when rapacity and oppression have been loosed against it — nor do I conceive, that in raising the rent, I have

Infringed

Infringed established Customs, since in the experi
I have had, I never yet found a specious underra
of either villages or lands - that had not its
origin in the Corruption of the managers rather
than in benefience to the holders -

22. - - - - - I have mentioned Generally, the
rate observed in making the Settlement which
has applied to every head of Revenue in the
Talookwar detail, and which Settlement I have
not any reason to doubt of being able to
Collect -

Vide Statement A -

23 - - - - The Hufta Devastaunum villages
included in the Jummabundy were assumed -
by ~~us~~ Usuf Cawn from the Churches of Madura -
These lands were, before his time, allotted to the
Perterum of the Idols, the ceremonies of their

Religion

religion, and the repairing and beautifying their churches —

24 ——— In the explanation of the

Statement Statement of the Sibbendy Villages of the Pagodas I have shewn that the Mussoulman Government had in the assumption of these Villages attempted to provide from the tribute paid by those attached to the Sibbendy, for the Perterum &c.ᵃ for which these lands were originally allotted, and that progressively the tribute increased to near the amount 6,000 ℓℓ huckrums at which in the 2nd year of us of Cawns management this Perterum &c.ᵃ were fixed —

25 ——— the object in this could not be mistaken, the Government were determined on possessing these villages, but were at a loss to provide

provide for compensation – the first measure of assumption caused great resistance and altho' many years have passed since the Sequestration the equality of assessment, from the Sibbendy villages for the Perterum – never has been made, and the sum necessary to make up the amount 6,000 C.Chuckrums for Perterum in the Pagodas is the means of corroborating the claim of the church to the lands in question –

26 .... That the claim does exist and

In 1175 fus.ly with reason appears from the Sunnuds of the late Wallajah – who grants the Church the 6,000 C.Ch^s. from the Sirkar, and directs that the Sibbendy pay their usual tribute, which here was 3220.4.14. and the mamoole Nuzzur from the Church of 800 C.Ch^s. These

orders however have been disobeyed, and neglected, – and the insufficiency of means for Perterum, &c, for the Sibbendy have caused many of their Ceremonies to be laid a-side, and some of the lessor Sibbendy to Relinquish their attendance and duty. —

27 – – – – – – – In order to shew the appriation of the Hufta Devastaunum Villages to each particular church, I have drawn out the account particular of what the revenues of the Perterum &c.ᵃ of each Church would be, on the present Summabundy, if the endowments had not been assumed by the Sirkar –

28 – – – – – I would have sent the Dehwar details corresponding – but I have not time to translate them, and as they are not very

material

material, I trust they will be dispensed with until leisure affords the opportunity. —

29 ------- In the consideration of this Subject in order to restore to the Hindoos, what may be competent to the use of the Pagodas, I am much at a loss. That the Villages under the Head Hufta Devastaunum did belong to the Pagodas, and, that they were enjoyed by the Pagoda, is unquestionable. That, in consequence of the mutinous Spirit of the South, these lands were seized by the then Government for assistance, and never restored, is also true — This has established an imperfect right to these lands in the late Government — which perhaps may appear more strong by the effort of Commutation made by Usof Cawn for

these Villages in the payment of 12000 CChs., the first year after the usurpation of them. - and the sum of 6000 CChs. regularly afterwards -

30 - - - - - - - - - This latter amount Wallagah -

1175 - - confirmed to the church thirty five years since: But the conduct of his servants has progressively lessened it, in the exaction made on the Sibbendy Villages to compensate this amount paid from the Perterum Villages, by this process eventually in-tending to secure the assumption, without charge to the renter of the districts. -

31 - - - - - - The cession of the country by the Mussulman to the British Government, - has induced investigation to rectify the abuses, that every where prevailed - and which when taken in the most favorable light, exhibit

only an empire of anarchy soothed by the insidious councils of premeditated deceit —

32 - - - - - - - To provide for the daily duties of the Pagodas is absolutely necessary and Politic — to secure the execution of those duties as indispensible — and in reference to the immediately preceeding possessors of the country — there are two specific allotments of money for that purpose, namely, the 12,000 C.Chs. Granted in fusly 1167 by Usof Cawn and the reduced provision of 6000 C Chs. by Wallajah in 1175. —

33 - - - - - - It is certain the latter sum is very inadequate to the just & proper performance of their Ceremonies — and fully impressed with the conviction of its inequality,

I beg

I beg with deference to recommend that 12000 C Chs. - be paid under regulations hereafter to [be] made - from the proceeds of the Devastanum lands to the Church by the Sirkar - each Pagoda to enjoy its proportion of that sum on a proportionate calculate made from their former several and respective means and that the remainder of Devastaunum land revenue after this deduction be for ever the property solely and exclusively of the Sirkar -

34 .... Whilst I am relating to your Board the progressive usurpation of the Church lands by the Mussulman Government, and its managers, and the apparent injustice to the hierarchy of the Hindoos, It becomes necessary to note that of the Church lands attached as well to the officers of the Idol as to the aracurtai[...]

many

may have been sold by the church bramins to foreigners and many Mortgaged the total disposed of in this way amounts to nearly half of the lands I am investigating this business and shall so soon as completed forward the lists to your Board.

35 ------ It is to prevent this self appropriation that I propose the interference of the Sirkar, and its controul over their revenues, which if granted as I have taken the liberty to Suggest, and attended to with due circumspection will be adequate to all acts of religion their Idols require, and restrain the habitual Vices of the church bramins.

36 ------- The next particular head of the Talookwar detail is the "Devedum or lands given

up

up to peons for Service as the service of these peons was totally unnecessary I resumed the lands and added them to the Jumma. —

37 - - - - - - - The Poroops or Villages paying a fixed tribute, are noted in the Devaluvar & Statement, and, as the tenure of each is mentioned in the remarks, it will depend on the considera[tion] of your Board, whether the Sunnuds shall be considered perpetual to the family, so long as the stipulated rent be paid, or whether any, and what alteration shall be made in them. —

Vide Statement E

38 - - - - - - thus having generally brought before your Board the Jummabundy for fusly 1211 — I beg to submit a Statement Comparative for fusly 1210 as taken from the acts of the Nabobs Managers - and the one now settled for

Vide Statement G

1211 fusly

1211 fusly —

39 — — — In the total for fusly 1210 as entered in the annexed Statement Viz 1.16,119.. 9.. 6½ your Board will note a ~~difference~~ decrease in comparison with the Statement sent with my assistants report in October. — this difference amounts to 5,745.. 3.. 7. — and is thus accounted for. —

40 — — — Under the Nabobs management the Culaputra of the Villages was improperly excluded from them and Generally and without detail annexed to the Syr. this amounted to C.Ch.s 1,895.. 4.. 1½

the further amount of Rent of a Garden possessed by the Killadar not entered (because not known) in the former account sent — — — — — — —	359.. 8.. 5.

Total Chucrums — — 2255.. 2.. 6½

These

41 ——— These sums being now a part of the Village rents in the current fusly are for the sake of just comparison now added to the last years Jumma in their proper places — the accounts & there are as follows. —

Ain Jumma as sent the Board October 26th	1,21,265.. 2.. 14½
Add foregoing amount not included in Ain Jumma of 1210	2255.. 2.. 6½
Total Jumma of fusly 1210	1,23,520.. 5.. 5

42 ——— From this Jumma the following deductions for the sake of just comparison are now to be made. —

Viz the amount of Syr formerly included in the Villages rents improperly but now placed in the Syr	793.. 1.. 7

The

The Poorooppo and Culler Cawel fees on the Silbendy Villages of the Hufta Devastaunum — because not entered in the Current Jumma - - - - 6607.. 4.. 6½

Total to be deducted - - 7400.. 5.. 13½

43 - - - - - - Deducting these for the reasons assigned the preceding amount from the corrected ain Jumma of fasly 1210 — bb L.ᵗ 1,23,520.. 5. 5. the remainder is 1,16,119.. 9. 6½ as entered in the present account submitted for Comparison —

Vide Statement C —

44 - - - - - - The heads "increase" and "decrease" sufficiently shew the amount revenue more than last year, had the price of Grain been as last year, the net increase would have been 29,665.. 2.. 11½ or about 25½ p.ʳ Cent above last years' Jumma — but with its reduction, the net increase is

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vide column for C.

vide column N in C.

is 28,771. 3. 6½ or about 18¾ per Cent. —

45 - - - - - The decrease on account of the reduced price of Grain is explained in the Statement, and the reduced price itself is I fear rather <u>above</u> the proper standard, - than <u>under</u> it, - any increase above it in the talooks is always the effect of monopoly which as well to guard, as give the means of food to all around - I have fixed according to present appearances, at what will be the average rate of the season. —

46. - - - - - That the explanation may be more plain in Comparison with the last year or 1210 fusly Jumma, and that its reference may be perfect with the Statement of Demand Collection and Balance sent in Report of Mr. Assistant Collector Garrow 26th. October I have

Vide Statement D -

drawn out

drawn out a Statement Shewing the increase and decrease by arrangement on the different Talooks of Madura in comparison of the last or Fusly 1210. with the Current Fusly 1211. the heads are — sufficiently distinct, and the references of the Columns to be noted to the Paragraphs — explanatory require none other comment. —

47 — — — — In treating on the subject of the church maunums I am aware of the very dangerous ground I have to tread — and the peculiar enmity I am likely to excite by stating facts which unless they may be overlooked under plea of prescription will go near to undermine if not destroy the greater part the right pretended to —

— — — In calling the attention of your

Board

Board to the Devaluar Statement of Villages attached to the Sibbendy and aracurtta of the Huftu Devastaunum — I mean it to exhibit the whole of the proceeds to the Sibbendy of the Hufta Devastaunum Pagodas from those villages that are attached at this moment and the tribute / Pooroopo / that has by innovation since Usof Cawns time usually accrued from them to the Sirkar —

49 ------ This tribute is in fact a mere matter of account as the total amount is always returned to the Pagodas as means for the daily Perterum or provision of the god — and for the Veshasha cutta - or expence of the Gods going out. —

50 ------ This amount therefore CC.^{ms} 5506.7.1

I have

I have not entered in the Jummabundy - nor do I mean to do more than Superintend the disbursement of it until I am favored with the orders of your Board, - this sum is short of what mamool has established - the amount which ought to be paid to the Pagodas from the Sirkar after receiving the Poroopo being 6,000 Chucrums. —

51 .... The Villages referred to in this Statement attached to the Hufta Devastaunum were said to be solely for the maintenance of the Sibbendy and aracurtta in their various avocations. - the assumption of them wholly the Mussulman dared not attempt, but as a subterfuge, imposed on them a capricious and progressive tribute which increased to

what -

what it now is — for a partial discharge of the expence attending their daily duties — whilst the Villages especially attached for the Perterum (now entered in the ain Jumma) were kept in strict assumption. —

Vide Statement B

52 - - - - - - - These measures however met with opposition and Usof Cawn was obliged to grant for the daily expence or Perterum, a sum of 12000 Chs. which he did for one year (in Essovara or fusly 1167) this sum arose from the Villages especially attached for the Perterum - what was surplus to it, on the Settlement of those Villages, he retained. —

53 - - - - - - - This act began in 1167 fusly, and the Poorooso from the Sibbendy and aracurtta villages was made C.C. 3220 „ 4 „ 14 „ In the Curta Government

Government, no Pooroopo ever existed, but the above fixed tribute so continued until fusly 1174 - the Perterum from the year 1168. until the final possession by the Company was fixed at 6000. CChs. confirmed by Wallajah in fusly 1175 - with an additional thousand for the allagherry feast in the month Chittra —

54 - - - - - - - - In the fusly 1175 the Pooroopo on the Sibbendy and aracurtta was increased 962..9..12.. it thus remained until fusly 1183. In fusly 1184 another increase of 210..4..3.. was made, - this also continued with the previous increase until fusly 1192.. In 1192 a third increase of 20 CChs. was made, this, remained until 1196.. In 1197 - a fourth increase of CChs 1052 8..15.. was made by Ramasawmy the then

Amildar

Amildar. — this remained until fusly 1208, in fusly 1209 — a fifth increase of 40 Chucrums was added — making a total of 5506..7..12.. and in 1210 fusly it thus stood. —

55 - - - - - The amount 9..8..14.. is also a Poorooso from the Talook Devastaunum of two Villages of Mandacolum, but if it was received, a charge of 12 Cht. would be against the Sirkar gift of 6000 Cht. for a daily supply of Rice for the God —

56 - - - - - The amount Poorooso 349..1..13½ arises from the Villages of Teroomboor attached to the Pagodas named. — the return gift for Perterum and Veshasha Cutta is 345. Cht. this for the reasons before mentioned I have not entered in the Jummabundy. —

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Vide a a b in Statement F.

57 ——— The amount 101 " 8 " " is what has always been paid to the Sirkar without return this sum is entered in the Jummabundy as what is derived to the Sirkar by a prescriptive right, not known by whom the imposition was made. —

58 - - - - - The establishment of Choultries, which next comes under consideration, and which was made with the view of accommodation to travellors, has since the time of Us of cawn been appropriated by the present incumbents, as their own private property. The rapacity of the former managers had winked at this assumption, so long as it was profitable to them; but the discovery of their aggression, instead of causing retributive

justice

justice to the Sufferers, enriched progressively the renters' treasury by fixing as a tribute to all that had been discovered taken by previous compulsion, and the holders of the property formerly public are, by the yearly receipt of the rent specified, in quiet possession of their impudent usurpations.—

Vide c. d. e. & f. in Statement E.—

59 - - — — The remaining alienations are sufficiently commented on in the Statement for elucidation, and the Poorooos attached to each included in the Summabundy.—

Vide g. h. i. j. k. l. M. N. o. p. q. r. s. t. U. in Statement E

60 - - - - - In the Statement particulars of the Servants of the Pagodas and donors of the aracurtta which explains distinctly those heads which make the totals of the Poorooos and enaum villages, are entered the number of

of Villages especially allotted to the individu-
-al offices of the Sibbendy and the aracurtta
of the Hufta Devastaunum since the time of
Usof Cawn, with the tribute Respectively paid
by the Servants of the Idol from the Villages
Vide Statement E. and lands given for their support the offices
are detailed in the Statement —

61 - - - - - - - - - The next principal head is
the aracurtta" or fixed Mauneium granted
for the purpose of daily offerings and prayers
to the deity for the departed donors - or rather
the continuance of the same mode of
worship the donor observed in his life time
- as the prayer is always, as if from the
donor — himself —

62 - - - - - - - - of the aracurtta thus entered

Irish -

I wish to distinguish those granted under the Carnatic Government previous to the time of Us of Cawn and those that have since been surreptitiously obtained from the false pride & dishonesty of the Servants of the different managers. —

63 — — — — Thos established under the Carnatic Government were Tremal Naigs — Mootamah the mother of Vijia Chocanada naique the last Rajah of Trichinopoly — Venkitakistnama naig — a Commandant of the Trichinopoly Rajah whose aracurtta was a service land given to him by the Rajah, which he gave to the Pagoda —

64 — — — — Marada naiguen pilla Tremal naique's house Steward who purchased the

Village

Village he made over to the Pagoda Munnarupun
- the Vakeel of the Trichinopoly Rajah whose
master granted him a Village he gave the
Pagoda half of the proceeds, and kept for
himself the Remainder.

65 - - - - - Menachee naigue - was the betel
bearer to Vijia Chocanada naigue, he asked
and obtained from his master the land which
he gave to the Pagoda - Rambudra naig
Poligar of Vadagherra is a descendant of
this man.

66 - - - - - Alagapa Moodelly purchased
the land given as his aracurtta from Menachee
ama Vijia naigues Wife. - Polacaupoo Gopalien
was the astrologer of Vijia Chocanada naigue
- he obtained the land from Menachee the

Rajah's

rajahs' Wife – and presented it as his aracurtta to Pagoda –

67 – – – – – – Cota Esvarien was the house steward of Trimal Naique, the land given as his aracurtta was Waste land granted to him by trimal naique for the purpose to which he applied it. – Peroganasamundum – was a defender of the tenets of Shiva against the Vistnoo bukt or followers of Vistnoo – he was summoned to the Court of Gouna Paundian – whose wife wished to see him – he gathared 16,000 Pundarums and came with them – displayed great learning and science cured Gouna Paundi of a sickness – received from him a Village in Enaum which he presented as his aracurtta to the Pagoda –

68 — — — — Motumbala modelly was an amil of the Trichinopoly rajah – he asked and obtained of the rajah a Village for the Pagoda, which village now remains as his aracurtta – Tanapah moodelly was a predaun of the rajah of Trichinopoly he asked and obtained a Village for the Pagoda, – which now stands as his aracurtta, – Mysoor or rather the rajah of Mysoor – purchased – during the reign of – Vejia Chocanada naique the ground for his aracurtta —

69 — — — — Arrianaikum Pillah was – the Predaun of Veshvanada naiga rajah Trichinopoly – he obtained the ground from his master and gave it to the Pagoda – – Chinnatomby moodelly was the Sumperty –

of –

of the rajah, he asked and and obtained of his Master the lands that are now his aracurtla — Vadamal Pillah — was a Predaun of Tremul naigues he Also asked and obtained from his Master the lands now assigned as his aracurtla. —

70 - - - - - - The aforementioned granties of the aracurtla until the time of Usof Cawn — never were taxed with any tribute — the Shalsenans which secured these rights to the Pagodas were during the Commotions in Chunda Sahebs and Burra Sahebs time with the Idols themselves carried away from the temples & destroyed this account appears so consonant with the Customs of the Carnatic Government — and so little to presume on any

other

other favor than right — that I have no doubt in my own opinion as to the propriety of what has been related. —

71 Mootoo pillah — was the Sumperty of Usof Cawn, and obtained from the Cawn the Village now assigned as his aracurtta —

Mootoo Sherogar was the Dewan of abdul rahim Cawn the Brother of Wallajah he purchased the land of Same Bramins and assigned it as his aracurtta — to the Pagoda —

72 - - - - - Tanderoy Pillah was the Predawn of Wodia Taven and carried a Golden Cradle to Usof Cawn on the birth of his son — and obtained from him a Village in Enaum — this Village he gave up to the Pagoda for his aracurtta — Cullaputty Venket row was the

the renter of Terominglum in Soobegrathoo " under Mr. Torin he then presented this Village as his aracurtta to the Pagoda. —

73 - - - - - - The preceeding Paragraphs take in the whole of the aracurtta - of which, those said to be granted since the days of Usof Cawn bear not the least mark of authenticity, & Prescription alone is pleaded: but no other authority whatever. Nor is it likely, that the man, who struck the first below at the power of the Bramins, should of his own act tend to to increase the influence of the Church. —

74 - - - - - - The resistance of the Church Bramins to his impositions, and the circumvention of his measures by their vigilance, it is said, made many people suppose that property held under

the

the Church would, as protected by the Bramins, be of a more certain tenure than any other. This, I understand, has been a Custom — And hence it is presumable, that the lands granted as aracurtta Hakki during Usof Cawn's time are, in fact, possessed by the descendants of the grantees, as property the Interest of the Bramins would always effectually secure. —

75 - - - - - This circumstance however can=not be ascertained by open enquiry, the jealousy that might arise from too great an assumption of power over the lands either by the Church Bramins or by the descendants will alone disclose the truth. —

76 - - - - - The next head in this Statement is the aracurtta Enaum Villages said to be

granted under the Carnatic Government to the donors to the Pagoda – 5th the Village of Semanoot – the aracurtta of Mootumbal Moodely which whilst he was amildar of Madura in the reign of Runga Kistna Moodo Verapah Naigue – he gave to the Pagoda –

77 ------- The Village of Caundi the aracurtta of Sevapooja Gorovavadauny was given to the donor by Chocanada Naigue the grand father of the last Trichinopoly Rajah for a nine days poojah in Menachees Pagoda – and this grant has been Confirmed by the Nabob Wallajahs sunned to Mutha Row – the Mustager dated in 1190 of the Hegra in favor of the Grand father of the present incumbent –

The –

78 — The Village of Moleyendal the aracurtta of the Archenabaugum Chocanada naig also gave to Raguiah one of his Servants who gave it to the ancestors of the incumbent Chundra=sakara Numbi for the purpose of offerings to the Idol —

79 — The Village of Gunneyputty yendal the aracurtta of Woodiar town — is said to have been obtained by Sidaputty of Ramnad from Runga Kistnamoodoo Veerapah Naigue in recompence for Service rendered him in causing the Mussulman invaders to raise the seige of Madura and retire from the Country he gave it as his aracurtta village to the Pagoda —

80 The aracurtta of Mootoyerooli the

Villages

Villages of Maravancolum & Pauspaper were granted to a dancing Girl of that name by Vejea Runga Chocanada Naigue for her exquisite dancing — the half of each was assumed by Usof Cawn, and half only of each now remains with the Pagoda. —

81 The Village of Ramrajahpooram the aracurtta of Jevajee Pendit is said to be a the gift of the Nabob Wallajah to the donor to the Pagoda the Son of Jevajee (who was a Buckshee of the Nabobs (states) he is now living being about 80 years old) that the Perwannah was given about fusly 1165 - and that it was lost at the seize of Madras - that he enjoyed the land until Mr. Irwin assumed it - from whom he regained it by an order from Lord Macartney and a

possess

possessed it until Fusly 1210 – paying from it for the aracurtta fifty CCts. and enjoying the remainder. —

82 This circumstance proves in a great measure, the truth of what I had before noted as what was done by Servants of the former Governments to secure to themselves a property under cover of the protection of the Church – and I understand also from private enquiry that the descendants of several of the pretended donors of the aracurtta are even at this time in enjoyment of their Villages paying a trifle each for the cover the Church affords them in their surreptitious conduct towards the Sirkar. —

+ Vide Para 74.

83 I shall not take up further the

time

tine of your Board on the Subject of the Church lands according to this Statement - but Submit the orders of the Nabob Wallajah as yet extant in the Cacharee for the rule of future guidance

84 These orders dated Rubub sance 2d 1179 Hegira are in form of a Cowle and appear to have been written soon after the execution of Usof Cawn - they direct the enjoyment of the aracurtla of Trimul Naigue - but [illegible] others are mentioned not even indirectly they direct the payment of the tribute Cct. 3220 . 4 . 14 fs as and of the Nuzzer of Cct. 800 from the Minachee and allagerry Pagodas —

85 It is certain that the Droops as settled by the Nabob extended only to the amount thus expressed, and it is also certain

that

that the increase difference of Poroopo - which also includes the Nuzzer has been the work of the renters - not by the orders of the Sirkar which in every agreement are sent expressly bind the renter to the receipt and payment of the dues from and to the Church and its dependants according to the orders on that Subject which have been previously given. —

86 But at the same time that these previleges appear thus guarded against all incoachment on the part of the renters an enquiry has never taken place on any abuse - because on the representation of the abuse of trust in the renters - it has Generally happened, that it has been

Contrived

Contrived to introduce the undue Collection into the public accounts - and thus by a flimsy and unjust pretence, (that attention to the Complaint would be of great loss to the Sirkar) entirely put a stop to enquiry -

87 The Servants of the late Madura Cacharee have explained to me that the intention of the Nabob was to retain all save the aracurtta of Trimul Naig - and this is in some degree corroborated by the Sunnud before mentioned - but admitting that this was the truth - the levy of the tribute indiscriminately on all, appears a most extraordinary measure against existing orders -

The

88 The confusion of the Country for many years, as well before the time of Usof Cawn as after, caused the Bramins of the Church individually to pay for their security, according to their means; And it is said (but with what truth I know not) that the payment thus exacted was the foundation of the Pooroopo to the Sirkar—

89 It is probable that this might have been the origin—But, as it was attached to individual Wealth and means, rather than to the lands enjoyed, and as it is evident from this years Settlement, that the lands according to the present Accounts are unequal to the Pooroopo demand, it appears clear, that it was imposed without Reference to any of those

circumstances

circumstances, which could render effectually valid the imposition —

90 From the doubt of its being a fair demand I have not entered it in the Jummabundy, but as the amount has been returned for Perteram, I shall collect and repay it as formerly until I have the commands of your Board on the Subject —

91 In assessing this tribute, if it should ultimately appear right to impose it — it perhaps (having ascertained the Value of the lands) would be well to fix it at a per Centage on the rent of each respective Village and thereby equalize the tax on the whole. — According to the present accounts, on which the Mamool Pooroopo stands, it is

partially and unequally rated –

92 In further comparison of the present Settlement with those of the preceeding years – I have drawn out an abstract Statements Vide Statement G Shewing the amount in grain and Money – for the five preceeding fuslys – with the total of the whole and the General average – which an examination with the Current Jumma, gives an increase in favor of the latter to the amount of 31 Chs. " Fs. " 50 as. Per Cent in the first instance and of 40 Chs. " – Fs. " 7 as. increase in the Second – a reference to the Statement will render any further explanation was necessary and I hope that whilst lowering the price of grain – to what appear right and proper, the Nett increase will be found

Satisfactory –

Satisfactory —

93 The province of Madura is, if

in a State of quiet, very improviable: and,

to ensure this, I have, in obedience to the

Vide Statement II orders of Government, Collected arms according

to the accompanying list. The disuse of which

by giving more labour to the Country, in

the Exoneration of the peons' Service, will

materially assist it —

94 I have directed the Estimates for

the repairs of tanks & Nullahs to be made

which so soon as done I shall forward to your

Board for Sanction, I am sorry to say all

appear very much out of repair and sufficiently

shew the ruinous effects of the renting System

as followed by the late Nabobs' Managers —

I be

95 — — — — — I beg leave to lay before your Board the Survey of some Ground for which I beg a Grant the References entered on the Survey are explanatory of it — as there was not the least accommodation for me I was forced to build — and as this Spot, as described in the Survey — was within one mile of the fort I enclosed it — and now beg the interference of your Board for such little as may make it my own property under the usual quit Rent. —

Vide Statement I

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect —

Gentlemen,

Your very Obedient humble Servant

Madura

25th January 1802. (Signed) T. B. Hurdis.

Collector

(True Copy)

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Statement A

		Sirkar Villages			Huftu[illegible]		
					Ain Villages		
		Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement	Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlem[illegible]
			Cu. Py. Chs. f. a	Cullums M. P.		Cu. Py. Chs. f. a	Cullms M[illegible]
1st Division.	Maudacolum Talook	29	6,030. " 3	18,151. 10. 4 1/4	43	3,081 1 12 1/2	15,076. [illegible]
2d Ditto	Sholavendaum Ditto	33.	6,581. 8. 10 1/2	22,960. 3. —	10	1,545. " [illegible]	
	Arneoor Ditto	44	15,006. " 5 3/4	" "	"	"	
	Total	77.	21,587. 9. 1/4	22,9[illegible] 3 [illegible]	[illegible]	15[illegible]45	
3d Ditto	Tirumungalum Talook	59.	34,510. 8. 11	" " "			
4th Ditto	Mellar	26	20,558. 8. 11 1/2	" " "			
	Terumboor	83	4,974. 4. 4 1/2	" " "			
	Total	109	25,533. 3. "	" " "			
	Grand Total	274	87,662. " 14 1/4	41,1[illegible]2. 3/4			

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Statement Shewing the Appropria[...] [...]ffta Devastanum Villages to the respective Pagodas.

Statement B

	Munaurkee Pagoda			Culler Alagoor Pagoda			Godalo Alagoor [...]			[illegible]			[...]gava Permalanad Swamy Pagoda			Tirumadyam Yadayemado Swamy Pagoda			[C]ooneytoray Chittoovallabo Swamy Pagoda			Total		
	No. of Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement	No. of Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement	No. of Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement	[illegible]	[illegible]	[...]tte.	No. of Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement	No. of Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement	No. of Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement	No. of Villages	Money Settlement	Grain Settlement
		Chs. f. ca.	Cullums. M.P.		Chs. f. ca.	c. M.P.		Chs. f. ca.	[illegible]			M.P.		Chs. f. ca.	c. M.P.		Chs. f. ca.	c. M.P.		Chs. f. ca.	c. M.P.		Chs. f. ca.	c. M.P.
1st Division, Mandacolum Talook	13	2698. 1 7/4	1032. 3. 1 1/4	16	944. .. 11½	2735. 2. 6	7	[illegible] 5. 6¼	627. 2¼	[illegible]	[illegible]	11. 3¼	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	44	5119. .. 12½	15096. 7. 1¼
2d. Ditto.. Sholavundan Do.	2	219. 7. 10	371. 5. 5	2	389. 4. 12	3459. 1. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	524. 3. 14½	112. 1. 3	1	242. 3. 12	1766. 3. 2	2	369. .. 11	29. 5. 3	11	1543. .. 11½	5712. 4. 3
3d. Ditto.. Tirumangalam Do.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	[illegible]5. 1. 2¾	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	[illegible]5. 1. 2¾	..
4th Ditto.. Perumbaur Do.	1	101. .. 9	..	2	563. 3. 13	..	1	[illegible]9. 1. 2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1042. 8. 7	..
Total	18	3007. 9. 0 3/12	1403. 8. 1¼	20	1906. 9. 6½	6194. 3. 6	9	[illegible]16. 2. 11	627. 2¼	6	631. 5. 1	1421. 11. 5¾	3	524. 3. 14½	112. 1. 3	1	242. 3. 12	1766. 3. 2	2	369. .. 11	29. 5. 3	39	3412. 1. 1¼	20722. 11. 9¾

Madura 27th January 1802.

Errors Excepted

(Signed) J. B. Hurdis

Collector.

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Comparative S

Statement C.

No.	Talooks	Jummabundy of Fusly 1240.			
		Naked or Money Jumma	Grain		
			No. of Cullums	Average Rates pr. Cullum	
		Cal. F. C.	Cm. M. P.	C. F. C.	C...
1st.	Maudacollum Talook	10,425. 8. 3	28,575. 1. 5½	7. 7 11/16	21,53
2d.	Shelavendaun ... Ditto	7,434. 8. 3½	21,535. " 5	6. 11 3/16	16,42
	Anneoor .... Ditto	8,522. 6. 10	2,731. 5. 4	4. 11 5/16	13,3
	Total	15,963. 4. 13½	24,266. 6. 1	6. 8	15,76
3d.	Teroomungalum Talook	28,933. 7. 6	4,620. 10. 1	6. 3¼	28,
4th.	Melloor .... Ditto ...	14,258. 4 11¼	" " "	"	"
	Teroomboor .... Ditto ...	2,735. 5. 12¼	5,240. 9. 3	7. 3 10/16	3,7
	Total ..	16,994. " 7½	5,240. 9. 3	7. 3 10/16	3,78
	Grand Total	72,317. " 14.	62,712. 3. 2½	6. 15 5/	43

	No.	Figures	Note
[illegible] ...ndoor		[illegible]	
Total	50	[illegible]	
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Total Devastanum	112	[illegible]	
Soumbyen Suttrum in the Town of Madura	6	2295 2 2 1432 .. 14 68 2 12 1500 3 10 ; 674 8 8 ... [illegible]	C
Mungema Suttrum in the Village of Sholavundaum	10	[illegible] 1 12¾ 2370 .. 19 1 .. 2319 1 .. 1473 7 12¾ ... [illegible]	D
Sonnder dofs Suttrum in the Village of Teruvungatium	8	1945 4 ¼ 700 .. 2 7 .. 702 7 .. 1222 7 ¼ ... [illegible]	E
Suttrum in the Village of Mellor	1	[illegible] 7 10½ 15 7 8 ... 15 7 8 78 .. 9¾ ... [illegible]	F
Total Suttrum	26	[illegible] 2 8¾ 4449 8 6 90 .. 12 4559 7 2 3429 3 12¾ ... [illegible]	G
Mosque in the Town of Madura		[illegible]	H
Mosque in the Village of Teruvauttoor		[illegible]	I
Total		[illegible]	K
		[illegible]	L
Durga at Secunder Sundah		[illegible]	M
Ditto Sultany Allundaum in the Village of Goospallam		[illegible]	
Total		[illegible]	N
			O
Madung bungee in the Town of Madura	1	[illegible]	
Mellor bungee	1	[illegible]	
Total	2	[illegible]	P
Moofty	1	[illegible]	
Rudhidah		[illegible]	Q
Mushroungeh of Chief of the Tuchurs		[illegible]	R
Cuttheady Schauler		[illegible]	S
Umaupleny		[illegible]	T
Ahmar	1	[illegible]	U
Punchangum	2	[illegible]	R
Wuter Phundall	1	[illegible]	S
Cullee Mauvuum		[illegible]	T
Mumshee Abee Bullah	1	[illegible]	V
Grand Total	918	[illegible]	

Notes:

C. 150 included in the Summabundy

300 of this to be allowed to the Pagoda Chauvadasum Dewall in the Village of Mullangunnee

D. 23½ included in the Summabundy

E. 70¾.7 included in the Summabundy

F. 15.7.8 Do. Do. Do.

G. ... Durrumdo Manuels Thumbol Bruin ... The time when made Enaum not known

H. Descriptive ...

I. In this Enaum which is further tied on ... is untrustfully built the Charge is made on the Enam by a Distribution of 6 ... wholly by presumptions from what period cannot be ascertained

K.

L. This Enaum was ... in ... 1803 from the Devastanum by the ... and was given in ... to the ... it ought to be again included in the Devastanum ... the Summabundy

M. ... Enaum Perpetual included in the ...

N. Do. Perpetual Ditto

O. This was granted Mahomed Ahbib ... for services ... the ... by annual ... the Enaum ... for ... [illegible]

P. This is included in the Enaum ... [illegible]

Q. ... the same

R. This ... for Explanations

S. By Prescription from ... not ...

T. This is held by the ... to ...

U. ... [illegible]

Madura 27th January 1802 Errors Excepted (Signed) T. B. Hurdis Collector

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Dewalewar Statement of Villages attached to the Sibbendy and Arsewotta of the Hufta Devastaunum

Statement E

	Villages	Sum of the Villages	Porupu Villages: Deduct Porupu of the Villages: Porupu	Cutter Cawil fees &c.	Total	Remaining	Amount Off by the Settlement from the former Porupu	Enam Villages: Villages	Sum	Cutter fees	Remaining	Total: Villages	Sum	Deduct Porupu: Porupu included in the Summ Sawmy	Porupu not included in the Summ Sawmy	Total	Remaining	Amount Off by the Settlement from the former Porupu
		Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c		Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c		Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c	Pagodas f c
Hufta Devastaunum																		
Manauchee Pagoda	43	12563 6 ¾	4961 6 5	252 2 2¾	4713 8 5¼	7806 8 11	19 . 9	5	476 3 10½	. . .	476 3 10½	48	13035 . 10¼	. . .	4713 8 5¼	4713 8 5¼	8320 2 8¼	19 . 9
Cutter Allaghurree Ditto	41	2096 7 8	865 1 9	19 6 2	846 7 11	1270 7 2	20 7 5					41	2096 7 8	. . .	846 7 4	846 7 4	1270 7 2	20 7 5
Goodel Ditto Ditto	31	455 1 ¼	278 5 .	9 5 3	257 . 3	224 3 9½	36 2 10¼					31	455 1 ¼	. . .	257 . 3	257 . 3	224 3 9½	36 2 10¼
Secunderbundah Ditto	6	335 6 7¼	41 5 .	3 7 .	45 2 .	291 4 7¼	1 . .					6	335 6 7¼	. . .	45 2 .	45 2 .	291 4 7¼	1 . .
Total	121	15394 1 13¼	5506 7 12	384 . 7¼	5890 8 3¼	9573 3 13¾	70 . 1½	5	476 3 10½	. . .	476 3 10½	126	15870 5 11¼	. . .	5890 8 3¼	5890 8 3¼	10049 7 7¼	70 . 3¼
Terrupadee Pagoda	1	191 6 1½	4 2 .	3 6 14	7 8 14	183 7 3½	. . .					1	191 6 1½	. . .	7 8 14	7 8 14	183 9 7½	. . .
Tentirovaulavyen Ditto	1	28 4 6	2 . .	. . .	2 . .	26 4 6	. . .					1	28 4 6	. . .	2 . .	2 . .	26 4 6	. . .
Total	2	220 . 7½	6 2 .	3 6 14	9 8 14	210 1 7½	. . .					2	220 . 7½	. . .	9 8 14	9 8 14	210 1 7½	. . .
Teeruvautoyeeswarah Pagoda in the Village of Amcoor	5	269	20	. . .	20	249	. . .					5	269	20	. . .	20	249	. . .
Veneatachella Sawmy Pagoda in the Village of Sindepetty	1	405 3 4	35	. . .	35	370 3 4	. . .					1	405 3 4	35	. . .	35	370 3 4	. . .
Kylausanauda Sawmy Pagoda in the Village of S. Taddoras	1	385 9 5	15	. . .	15	370 9 5	. . .					1	385 9 5	15	. . .	15	370 9 5	. . .
Gopaula Kistna Sawmy D. D. D.	1	267 6 15	10	. . .	10	257 6 15	. . .					1	267 6 15	10	. . .	10	257 6 15	. . .
Subramanea Sawmy Do. in the Village of Pattoor	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	1	126 1 6	. . .	126 1 6	1	126 1 6	. . .	. . .	. . .	126 1 6	. . .
Allacunder Allagu Sawmy Do.	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	1	98 1 10	. . .	98 1 10	1	98 1 10	. . .	. . .	. . .	98 1 10	. . .
Total	8	1327 9 8	80	. . .	80	1247 9 8	. . .	2	224 3	. . .	224 3	10	1552 2 8 A	. . .	. . .	80	1472 2 8	. . . A Not included in the Summ Sawmy
Chelanaudasawmy Pagoda	3	156 . 1½	20	. 1 8	21 8	134 3 4	. . .	[illegible]	. . .	. . .	[illegible]	3	156 1 4 B 2 8	. . .	21 8	[illegible]	134 3 4	. . . B 2 8
Kalanaya Coondl Sawmy Do. in the Cusbah Trenalore and Narsingo &c.	31	652 4 7	158 2 1½	35 6 12	194 8 13½	457 6 9¾	5 . 12	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	31	652 4 7	. . .	194 8 13½	194 8 13½	457 6 9¾	5 . 13½

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Abstract Statement of Arms &c. collected & delivered into the Company's Stores by the Collector of Dindigul &c. Districts up to the 25th January 1802

Statement H

Referring to Para. 93.

	Muskets	Swords	Cutting on [illegible]	Firelocks	[illegible]	Matchlocks	[illegible]	Spears	Pikes	Pike heads	Knives	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cutting irons	Pistols	[illegible]	Bill hooks	[illegible]	Bayonets	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cutting [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cutting [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cutting [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Total	Cutting [illegible]	Total
Dindigul & Madura	84	3350	1993	108	16	3920	24	638	19181	2075	443	397	496	216	34	2	141	36	25	32	24	358	1133	23	9	22	1	21	21	25	3	3	1	1	17	1	1	1	21	4	4014	14346	303
Deduct the arms delivered into the Stores agreeably to the Proclamation published by Lieut. Col. Agnew under date 26th December 1801 — at Dindigul	.	.	.	149	.	1920	.	146	1523	.	.	.	.	.	5	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2913	.	2913
at Madura	.	.	.	188	.	1568	.	170	4297	.	.	.	.	.	14	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6023	.	6023
Total	.	.	.	337	.	3488	.	316	5820	.	.	.	.	.	19	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9736	.	9736
Remainder	84	3350	1993	771	16	432	24	322	13359	2075	443	397	496	216	15	.	141	36	25	32	24	358	1133	23	9	22	1	21	21	25	3	3	1	1	17	1	1	1	21	4	5106	14346	19654
Deduct the number beaten into Iron	.	1652	161	116	5	334	8	.	10249	1469	415	.	.	183	2	.	108	.	13	60	25	.	262	1	3	20	1	18	19	2	3	2	1	3	9	1	1	1	9	.	11625	.	11625
Do. Do. burnt & otherwise destroyed in presence of Collector & Agent D.	53	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	424	1479	.	.	.	.	.	41	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4777	1498	6165
Total	53	1652	161	116	5	334	8	.	10249	1469	415	424	1479	183	2	.	108	41	13	60	25	.	262	1	3	20	1	18	19	2	3	2	.	3	9	1	1	1	9	.	16402	1498	17900
Remainder	31	1697	1849	153	11	1198	16	144	2427	606	28	493	2017	35	7	.	33	43	12	27	4	358	1136	22	.	2	.	3	1	25	.	1	.	.	1	.	.	.	14	4	10516	.	10516

N.B. Of the arms beat into iron, the pikes and matchlocks were taken from the Colleries and rebels and destroyed before the publication of the proclamation by which the Company have been relieved from a considerable expence, those converted into iron already amount to nearly 500 Polams or about 9000 lb. The undestroyed Arms are chiefly at Dindigul remaining there until they inspection be personally inspected. Since closing the above a further collection of 3843 Stand of arms of sorts have been sent in.

Errors Excepted

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

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